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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, enclosed are an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and one copy of each reference. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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In keeping with the duty and candor and good faith owed to the Patent and Trademark Office, applicant wishes to make of record the items on attached PTO Form 1449 which was recently issued. A copy of the item is provided in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98.

U.S. Patent No. 6,136,104 entitled "COPPER ALLOY FOR TERMINALS
AND CONNECTORS AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME" by Miyafuji et al. issued
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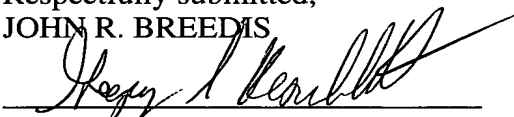
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The undersigned represents that the closest art of which he is presently aware has been cited herein and understands that this statement shall not be construed as a representation that no better art exists or that a thorough patentability search has been made.

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